Antarctic Place Names - Reference lists by nation

Reference lists by nation of
- naming authority
- national Antarctic toponymic documents
- Antarctic gazetteers and other lists of place names

For contact names and email addresses, refer to the members list under SCAGI on the SCAR website. Member countries are requested to provide updates, such as new document links, web addresses, and contact information, to SCAGI at scar.cga@unisi.it.

Argentina

Naming Authority
Servicio de Hidrografía Naval, División Toponimia, Jefe División Toponimia, Servicio de Hidrografía Naval

Antarctic Toponym Documents
Política Toponímica Antártica. Servicio de Hidrografía Naval, Buenos Aires 1978

Antarctic gazetteers and other lists


Australia

Correct as of 2020-4-14

Naming Authority
Australian Antarctic Division Place Names Committee, Australian Antarctic Division
Kingston, Tasmania, Australia

Australian Antarctic Toponym Documents
The Terms of Reference for the Australian Antarctic Division Place Names Committee, includes the Australian Antarctic Place Names Policy.

Australian Antarctic Gazetteer
Austria

Belgium
Correct as of 2019-6-4

Naming Authority
Belgium has no official Naming Authority for Antarctica yet and there are no guidelines for toponymy in Antarctica. The aim is to follow these guidelines, edited by SCAR - SCAGI.

The Administration in charge is:
IGN - Belgium
Service Toponymie

https://www.ign.be/

Brazil

Naming Authority
Departamento de Geografia - Instituto de Geociências

Bulgaria
Correct as of 2019-6-14

Naming Authority
Antarctic Place-names Commission, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Bulgaria
http://apcbg.org/

Antarctic Guidelines
Toponymic Guidelines for Antarctica. Antarctic Place-names Commission of Bulgaria. Sofia, 1995
https://en.wikisource.org/wiki/Toponymic_Guidelines_for_Antarctica

Antarctic Toponymic Documents
https://www.researchgate.net/publication/329936128_Bulgarian_Names_in_Antarctica_in_Bulgarian

Bulgarian Antarctic Gazetteer
Available online: http://apcbg.org/gazet-bq.pdf (details in Bulgarian)
http://apcbg.org/gazet.pdf (basic data in English)

Canada

Naming Authority
Geographical Names Board of Canada (GNBC), Natural Resources Canada
http://geonames.rncan.gc.ca/info/cgndb_e.php
Chile

Naming Authority
Chilean National Committee for Antarctic Geographic Names, Foreign Affairs, Defence and Education

Guidelines in Chile
Antarctic Toponym Documents
Diccionario de Nombres Geograficos de la Costa de Chile, Volumen III, Territorio de Chile, Pub. 3052, 1. Edicion, Valparaiso, 1974

Antarctic gazetteers and other lists
Diccionario de Nombres Geograficos de la Costa de Chile, Volumen III, Territorio Antartico. Instituto Hidrografico de la Armada de Chile, Pub. 3052, 1. Edicion, Valparaiso, 1974

China

Naming Authority
Chinese Place-names Committee, Wuhan University

Antarctic Toponym Documents

Colombia

Czechia

Denmark

Ecuador

Germany
Correct as of 2020-9-17

Naming Authority
Ständiger Ausschuss für Geographische Namen (StAGN)
Standing Committee on Geographical Names
Deutsches Nationalkomitee für SCAR/IASC
German National Committee for SCAR/IASC
Antarctic Toponym Documents


Brunk, K.: Cartographic work and German naming in Neuschwabenland - previous work, reconstruction of the flight paths of the German Antarctic Expedition 1938/39 and revision of the German namesake in Neuschwabenland German Geodetic Commission, Series E, No. 24; Frankfurt am Main, 1986


Index of German-language Antarctic place-names, Second Edition. News from the mapping and surveying system, special issue, Institute for Applied Geodesy, Frankfurt am Main, 1993

Proposed International Toponymic Guidelines for the Antarctic – Recommended international principles and procedures for the standardization of naming geographical features in the Antarctic (south of 60°S) and for the use of existing geographical names. SCAR Working Group on Geodesy and Geographic Information, Version: Rome, 31 August 1994


Antarctic gazetteers and other lists

Digital Name Data Base Antarctic. Institut für Angewandte Geodäsie, Frankfurt am Main, Institute for Applied Geodesy, Frankfurt am Main, first edition 1988
1st supplement to first edition 1989
2nd supplement to first edition 1990
3rd supplement to first edition 1992


1st supplement to second edition 1994
2nd supplement to second edition 1995
3rd supplement to second edition 1996
4th & 5th supplement to second edition 1997
6th supplement to second edition 1998
7th supplement to second edition 1999
8th supplement to second edition 2000
9th & 10th supplement to second edition 2004
11th supplement to second edition 2006
12th supplement to second edition 2010
13th supplement to second edition 2012
14th supplement to second edition 2014
15th supplement to second edition 2020

Gazetteer of German-language Antarctic place-names, Third Edition (no printed publication, digital data only) – Complete revision of the Second Edition according to the
specifications of the SCAR Composite Gazetteer of Antarctica (CGA), with contributions by Karsten Brunk, Rosbach v.d. Höhe, compiled and arranged by Jörn Sievers, Neu-Isenburg, on behalf of Ständiger Ausschuss für geographische Namen (StAGN), Frankfurt am Main, 2020.

Finland

International Hydrographic Organization
Naming Authority
General Bathymetric Chart of the Oceans
http://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/mgg/gebco/underseafeatures.html

Gazetteer of geographical names of undersea features shown (or which might be added) on the GEBCO and on the IHO small scale International Chart Series (1:2 250 000 and smaller), First Edition. International Hydrographic Bureau, Monaco, 1988

Iran (Islamic Republic of)

France
Correct as of 2020-6-15

Naming Authority

Antarctic Toponym Documents

Antarctic gazetteers and other lists

India

Korea, Republic of

Naming Authority
Korean Committee on Geographical Names, Korea Polar Research Institute
Italy
Naming Authority
Comitato per i nomi geografici antartici

Japan
Naming Authority
Antarctic Place-names Committee of Japan, National Institute of Polar Research
http://ci.nii.ac.jp/naid/110001181219/en

Antarctic Toponym Documents

Antarctic gazetteers and other lists
Polar Research Center: New names decided by the Antarctic Place-names Committee of Japan. Antarctic Record, No. 45, p. 112-120, Tokyo, 1972

National Institute of Polar Research: Antarctic place-names newly decided by the Antarctic Place-names Committee of Japan in 1973. Antarctic Record, No. 49, p. 91-95, Tokyo, 1974

National Institute of Polar Research: Antarctic place-names newly decided by the Antarctic Place-names Committee of Japan in 1975. Antarctic Record, No. 55, p. 108-110, Tokyo, 1976

National Institute of Polar Research: Antarctic place-names newly decided by the Antarctic Place-names Committee of Japan in 1977. Antarctic Record, No. 60, p. 154-159, Tokyo, 1977

National Institute of Polar Research: Antarctic place-names newly decided by the Antarctic Place-names Committee of Japan in 1979. Antarctic Record, No. 66, p. 158-162, Tokyo, 1979

National Institute of Polar Research: Antarctic place-names newly decided by the Antarctic Place-names Committee of Japan in 1981. Antarctic Record, No. 75, p. 103-110, Tokyo, 1982

National Institute of Polar Research: Antarctic place-names newly decided by the Antarctic Place-names Committee of Japan in March 1985. Antarctic Record, No. 86, p. 125-132, Tokyo, 1985


Malaysia
Monaco

Netherlands
Guidelines in the Netherlands
Toponymic guidelines for map and other editors for international use - The Netherlands. 6th UN Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names, Document No. E/CONF.85/L.2, New York, 1992

New Zealand
Correct as of 2020-4-18

Naming Authority
New Zealand Geographic Board Ngā Pou Taunaha o Aotearoa, Land Information New Zealand
https://www.linz.govt.nz/regulatory/place-names

Antarctic Toponym Documents
Standard for Antarctic place names in New Zealand's area of interest, 2020, draft for consultation (unpublished)

Antarctic gazetteers and other lists
New Zealand Geographic Board: Provisional Gazetteer of the Ross Dependency (compiled by A.S. Helm).
1st supplement to first edition 1960
2nd supplement to first edition 1963
3rd supplement to first edition 1963
4th supplement to first edition 1965

Antarctic Ross Sea Region. Infomap 135, 3rd edition, 1987, Department of Survey and Land Information, Wellington

New Zealand Gazetteer, which includes a view showing New Zealand's area of interest in Antarctica, is available online: https://gazetteer.linz.govt.nz/

Norway
Correct as of 2020 -9-16

Naming Authority
Name Committee for Norwegian Polar Regions, Norwegian Polar Institute

Antarctic Toponym Documents
Place-name Committee: Preliminary guidelines for place-names in Norwegian Polar regions. Norsk Polarinstitutt, Oslo, 1993 (unpublished)

Antarctic gazetteers and other lists
Gjelsvik, T.: Place-names of Heimefrontfjella and Lingetoppane, Dronning Maud Land, Antarctica. Rapportserie, Nr. 54, Norsk Polarinstitutt, Oslo, 1989


Online gazetteer of Norwegian polar place names, including Dronning Maud Land, Bouvetøya and Peter I Øy: https://placenames.npolar.no/

Pakistan

Peru

Poland

Naming Authority
Polish Committee of Polar Research, Main Office of Geodesy and Cartography (GUGiK)

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Portugal

Romania

Russian Federation (and former Soviet Union)
Correct as of 2020-7-16

Naming Authority
The Federal Service for State Registration, Cadastre and Cartography (Rosreestr) is authorized executive federal bodies in the field of geographical names. Rosreestr develops state policies and normative-legal regulation in the area of names of geographical objects, carries out examination of proposals for the assignment and renaming of geographical objects, including those discovered or allocated by Russian researchers within the open sea and Antarctica, and creation and maintenance of the State Catalogue of Geographical Names. Official website of Rosreestr https://rosreestr.ru/site/.

Antarctic Toponym Documents
2. Resolution of the Government of the Russian Federation No. 1167 of 15.11.2012 “On the procedure to coordinate proposals on naming of some geographical objects or on renaming of some geographical objects”

3. Decree of the Ministry of Economic Development of the Russian Federation No. 171 of 27.03.2014 “On approval of the Procedure for examination of proposals on naming and renaming of geographical objects and conclusion issuing”

4. Decree of the Ministry of Economic Development of the Russian Federation No. 172 of 27.03.2014 “On approval of the Procedure for registration of geographical names, releasing of gazetteers and dictionaries of geographical names as well as development and maintenance of the State Catalogue of Geographical Names”

5. Decree of the Ministry of Economic Development of the Russian Federation No. 322 of 29.05.2015 “On approval of the Procedure for identification of the available names of geographical objects in the Russian Federation, on its continental shelf and in the exclusive economic zone of the Russian Federation as well as of features discovered or specified by the Russian explorers in the World Ocean and Antarctica”

6. Adopted at the 5th United Nations Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names (Montreal, 1987), the transliteration system of the Cyrillic alphabet

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**South Africa**

**Spain**
*Naming Authority*
SCAR National Committee of Spain

**Sweden**
*Naming Authority*
Royal Institute of Technology

**Switzerland**

**Thailand**

**Turkey**
Ukraine

United Kingdom
Naming Authority
Antarctic Place-names Committee, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office
http://www.antarctica.ac.uk/apc/

Antarctic Toponym Documents


Antarctic gazetteers and other lists
1st supplement to first edition 1980
2nd supplement to first edition 1982
3rd supplement to first edition 1986
4th supplement to first edition 1988


United States of America
Naming Authority
U.S. Board On Geographic Names, United States Geological Survey (Secretariat)
https://usgs.gov/geonames/antarctic-names

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Uruguay
Naming Authority
Instituto Antártico Uruquayo

Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)